El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 10, 2021 7:00 pm

Members Present: Thomas Lang, Tom Owens, George Cleveland, Melinda V. Mclain,

Shirley Rosenthal-Winston, Jim Hermann

Members Absent: Joe Sarapochillo, Emilie Whelan, Mikki Norris

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm and the roll was taken.

The Council held elections and Tom Lang was elected to continue serving as the Chair of the MAC and Tom Owens was elected to continue serving as Vice-Chair of the MAC.

The minutes from the January 13, 2021 meeting were approved.

Presentation Items:

- P.1. **Supervisor John Gioia** was present and provided a county update. He discussed the County's vaccination process and shared with residents that the County is vaccinating for free, but the recommendation is for residents to contact their own health provider first. The County is developing a program for rent relief and assistance that will provide money to landlords and tenants. The Board of Supervisors extended the Rent Freeze and Eviction Moratorium until June 30, 2021. Supervisor Gioia also reported that the County is requiring an independent third party root cause analysis of the recent Chevron oil spill.
- P.2. Lt. Buford, Bay Station Commander, Sheriff's Office was not able to attend.
- P.3. **Battalion Chief Charles Thomas, Contra Costa County Fire Protection District** provided a fire update. Chief Thomas shared that ConFire in conjunction with other fire agencies had staff participate in administering vaccines at public clinics throughout the County including one in Hercules. Each clinic was given provisions to administer 500 doses daily.
- P.4. **Officer Tim Leviste, California Highway Patrol** shared a CHP update. He began by addressing the issue of big rigs parking near the intersection of San Pablo Dam Road and La Honda Dr. He noted that No Parking signs had been installed in the area. Officer Leviste mentioned that he is still enforcing the speed limit along San Pablo Dam Road. He also has requested a speed survey be completed by the County along Hilltop Dr.

P.5. **Sophia Skoda, Finance Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District** was present along with Ward 3 Director Marguerite Young, General Manager Clifford Chan and Sharla Sullivan of the Public Affairs team. Their presentation covered some of the history of the district and also provided a good overview of the district's operations. EBMUD maintains over 4,200 miles of pipes and have staff working around the clock. Through the Contract Equity Program, they have awarded \$870 million in minority and women contracts and more than \$13 million in local construction employment.

Discussion/Action Items:

None

Standing Committees:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59pm.

Minutes prepared by Office of Supervisor John Gioia.